bhendi, IIHR 21,12 and SM 6 Prinjal, LE 79 Tomato, Japanese white and Arka Nishant radish, white Viena knc! khol, Karimunada and Panniyur I black pepper, Mangala arecanut were successfully introduced for higher yields, Two exotic breeds of pig, soviet chinchilla rabbits HH 260 layer and I BB 83 broiler poultry, Japanese squill were also successfully introduced. Technologies for salt tolerance rice culture, management of stem bleeding of coconut have also been developed.

(c) Rs. 67 lakhs.

(d) Rs. 55 lakhs upto 29.2.92

Milk Production in Goa

4807. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Dairing Development Board propose to assist the Government of Goa to increase the production of milk in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance given during 1991-92 and proposed to be given during 1992-93?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b). National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) is already assisting Goa under Operation Flood by providing Financial assistance to the Goa State Cooperative Milk Producers Union. Technical inputs programme envisaged under Operation Flood is intended to improve milk production in the areas covered by the Dairy Cooperative Societies of the Goa Milk Union.

(c) During 1991-92 National Dairy Development Board has provided Rs. 1.88 lakhs for technical inputs programme upto February, 1992. It is proposed to provide Rs. 24.75 lakh under Operation Flood and Rs. 2.95 lakhs under Technology Mission on Dairy development for milk production enhancement activities during 1992-93.

Forecasting Flood through Remote Sensing

4808. SHRI PROBIN DEKA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Remote Sensing technique is widely used to forecast impending danger of flood;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the forecast messages are transferred to flood prone areas to alert the people of the impending natural climates; and

(d) if so, the administrative set up looking after it in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Central Water Commission has a network of 23 Flood forecasting Station in Assam.

Oil Policy

4809. SHRI K.V. THANKGABALU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in India only four percent of

oil is explored form the identified oil reserves as against an average of forty percent by other oil producing countries;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is any proposal to formulate an oil policy; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir. The country exploited about 4.3% of its balance of recoverable oil reserves during 1990-91 as against the world average of 2.3%.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d). Oil gas production is carried out at optimum levels, based on techno-economic parameters.

[*Translation*]

Complaints Regarding Issuance of Arms Licences in Uttar Pradesh

4810. SHRI VISHWANATH SHASTRI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any complainants regarding discrimination in issuance of arms incenses in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). The State/U.T. Governments have been delegated the powers to isse arms licences in respect of non-prohibited bore weapons only. It has been left to their discretion to formulate guidelines for grant/renewal of such licenes keeping in view the prevailing laws and order situation and other relevant factors. No special complaint alleging discrimination on issuance of arms licences in UP has been received so far.

[*English*]

Utilisation of funds for development of SCs/STs

4811. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the scheme-wise allocation to each State and the amount spent by them for the development/welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes during 1991-92; and

(b) the number of faminlies benefited under Poverty Alleviation Programme during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) the scheme-wise allocation can be given after the close of the Finacial year.

(b) the information will be complied for 1991-92 after the close of the financial year.

Freedom Fighters' Pensions

4812. DR. Y.S RAJASEKHAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any représentations from freedom fighters for extension of last date for filing the applications for freedom fighters for pension;